

NAVAL BASE CORONADO



SAF-T-LINES



JULY 2006

SUMMER SAFETY

July is a time for outdoor summer fun,...but remember to do everything Safely



FIREWORKS SAFETY TIPS

Everybody loves the Fourth of July. After all, what's not to like? Hot weather, swimming, the smell of hot dogs on the grill and, of course, fireworks.

Fireworks are a traditional part of our celebration of Independence Day. For many of us, the 4th of July just isn't complete without sparklers and the chorus of ooh's and aah's when it finally gets dark and the big show begins.

But the celebration is ruined when careless and inappropriate use of fireworks results in injury. According to the U. S. Consumer Products Safety Commission, 8500 people in the United States are treated each year for fireworks-related injuries. Seven out of every 100 people injured from fireworks have to be hospitalized.

The best way to prevent fireworks-related injuries is to leave fireworks display to the trained professionals. If fireworks are legal where you live and you decided to set them off on your own, be sure to follow these important safety tips:

- ❖ Do not let children under 14 use fireworks and supervise older children.
- ❖ Only buy from reliable fireworks sellers; read and follow all the warnings and instructions.
- ❖ Use fireworks outdoors only; keep them away from houses and flammable materials.
- ❖ Have a bucket of water nearby.
- ❖ Do not try to re-light or handle malfunctioning fireworks. Soak them in water and throw them away.
- ❖ Be sure other people are a safe distance away before lighting fireworks.
- ❖ Never ignite fireworks in a container – especially glass or metal.
- ❖ Store fireworks in a cool, dry place according to their specific storage instructions.
- ❖ Do not wear loose clothing near a fire or while using fireworks.
- ❖ Rockets should be launched from a rocket launcher not a bottle.
- ❖ Sparklers need to be handled carefully too: they burn at more than 1000 degrees F. Light them one at a time at arm's length. Always wear gloves while holding a sparkler, and never give one to child under 5 years old.
- ❖ Educate children (of all ages) about the dangers of fireworks and teach them to practice safety at all times.



Many people, adults, and children, needlessly get hurt using fireworks on the Fourth of July. The Fourth of July should be a family time of fun, enjoyment and exciting adventure. *Please use Fireworks wisely and safely.*

A Message from the Naval Safety Center

The "critical days" pose greater risks for several reasons. It's when service members go on family vacations and often travel longer periods than they should without rest or a break. It's when the weather is ideal for outdoor and water activities. And it's also a time for cookouts and picnics, which often include alcohol consumption.

This summer, be there for each other and remind everyone to be alert, aware, and able to manage risk all day, every day.

Always remember to work, play, live safely!



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ENJOY SUMMER BARBECUES SAFELY

Naval Base Coronado Safety Department would like you and your family to have a safe and enjoyable summer of outdoor activities.

Many people love cooking outdoors with their gas grills and charcoal barbecues. In order to enjoy your summer of outdoor cookouts, remember to always inspect your grills before using them and follow a few simple safety tips to avoid accident and injuries.

Charcoal Grill Safety Tips

Keep in mind that charcoal when burned in grills produces carbon monoxide (CO). CO is a colorless, odorless gas that can accumulate to toxic levels in closed environments. Each year about 17 people die as a result of CO fumes from charcoal being burned indoors or in a poorly ventilated area. To reduce the risk of CO poisoning:



- Never burn charcoal inside of homes, vehicles, tents or campers.
- Charcoal should never be used indoors, even if ventilation is provided.
- Since charcoal produces CO fumes until the charcoal is completely extinguished, do not store the grill indoors with freshly used coals.

Barbecue Grill Safety

Each year about 600 fires/explosion occur with gas grills, causing injuries. Many of the accidents happened during the first time a grill is ignited for the season or after the grill's gas container is refilled and reattached.

Before you plan your next outdoor cookout, review these safety tips:

- Check grill hoses for cracking, brittleness, holes and leaks. Make sure there are no sharp bends in the hose or tubing.
- Make sure your grill's propane tank has three-prong gas valve handle. As of April 1, 2002, the three-prong design replaces a five-prong handle as the safety standard.
- Move gas hoses as far away as possible from hot surfaces and dripping hot grease.
- Always keep propane gas containers upright.
- Never store a spare gas container under or near the grill or indoors.
- Never store or use flammable liquids, like gasoline, near the grill.
- Never keep a filled container in a hot car or car trunk. Heat will cause the gas pressure to increase, which may open the relief valve and allow gas to escape.
- Make sure your spark igniter is consistently generating a spark to create a flame and burn the propane gas. If the flame is not visible, the heavier-than-air propane gas may be escaping and could cause an explosion.
- Never bring the propane tank into the house.
- When using barbecue grills on decks or patios, be sure to leave sufficient space from siding and eaves.
- Keep children and pets far away from grills.



NAVOSH TRAINING

CPR CERTIFICATION CLASS

Date: 5 July, 1 August, and 5 September 2006

Where: Bldg 678, Classroom 222

Time: 0800 – 1200

Please call Mr. Tom Hirzel at (619) 767-7546 or "E" mail Thomas.hirzel@navy.mil for questions regarding the course. To reserve a seat, fax quota request at 545-1053.

RESPIRATOR TRAINING CLASS

Date: 6 July, 2 August, and 6 September 2006

Where: Bldg. 678, Classroom 222

Time: Respiratory Program Assistant - 0800-1200
Respiratory Protection program (Users) - 1300-1430

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| DEEP SUMERGENCE UNIT (DSU) | 12 JUL |
| NAVY COLLEGE | 13 JUL |
| MAP SUPPORT OFFICE (MSO) | 19 JUL |
| ASSAULT CRAFT UNIT ONE (ACU-1) | 26 JUL |
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